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Jersey City Opens Park Sprinklers For Children to Cool Off This Summer

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy, the Municipal Council and the **Division of Parks and Forestry** have announced a safe way for children to beat the heat this summer. Starting today and continuing through Labor Day, sprinklers will be turned on **daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.**, weather permitting.

“We want our children to have safe places to cool off this summer and what better way than in the sprinklers at one of our city parks,” said **Mayor Healy**. “When children play in an open fire hydrant they are exposed to serious dangers, such as the high pressured water, on coming vehicular traffic.”

Not only do the children face risks when playing in an open hydrant, but water pressure for that area becomes diminished reducing fire protection. This is especially critical in areas where there are high rises.

The following parks have sprinklers and will be open for use:

1. Dr. Lena Edwards Park
325 Johnston Avenue
2. Arlington Park
785 Grand Street
3. Audubon Park
103-129 Bergen Avenue

(more)

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4. Virginia Avenue Park
74-80 Virginia Avenue
5. Woodland Avenue Park
259-265 Linden Avenue
6. Wilkinson Avenue Park
146-152 Wilkinson Avenue
7. Terrace Avenue Park
Thorne Street and Terrace Avenue
8. Ed Franco Field/ Enos Jones
8th street and Brunswick
9. LaPointe Park
90-92 Dekalb Avenue
10. Country Village Park
30 Sycamore Road
11. Pershing Field Park
Summit Avenue and Pershing Plaza

**For more information on Sprinklers in the Parks Contact the division of Parks and Forestry
201-547-4449.**

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